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TRUTH SHOULD BE TOLD

London, Oct. 10.
Admiral Viscount Mountbatten, Commander-in-Chief of Southeast Asia Command, told a luncheon in his honour at the Press Club today that a book was being published giving an accurate account of the SEAC campaign, striking the balance between the British and American effort.

"It is in the interest of Anglo-American friendship that the truth should be told," he said. "I would like to pay tribute to the part of the American forces in Southeast Asia. Although at no time was there more than one brigade fighting on land, their engineers and air force put up a magnificent performance."

Sir William Slim, Commander-in-Chief of the 14th Army in Burma, said the first thing he had to contend with on going to Burma was to convince every man that what he was aiming at was possible.

The myth of Japanese invincibility was such that it was difficult to convince people that the Japanese were only dirty little yellow ants and not supermen, General Slim said.

For the first four months they devoted themselves to dealing with the drop in morale among

F-M SMUTS SAYS:—

"United States Of Europe" Needed

The Hague, Oct. 11.
Field Marshal Smuts, South African Prime Minister, called on Britain to take the lead in forming a United States of Europe, when he addressed a joint meeting of the Upper and Lower Houses of the Dutch Parliament today. If Britain would not take the initiative, he suggested that some of the smaller states should persuade her to do so.

"In Eastern Europe, a Slav general group is already forming under our eyes," Marshal Smuts declared, adding:—"And why not? Why should this be resented or feared as a menace to others? Is it not wiser and safer to regularise these groupings which correspond to deep-seated national or economic interests? I do believe that the United Nations need such buttresses to their overall world structure."

General Smuts proposed two alternatives.

If jealousy among great powers inhibits their taking the lead, could not a number of smaller states come together without such sponsorship and set the ball rolling by forming a regional council, with its appropriate council? he asked.

He added that if none would venture to take the lead towards such a political and regional solution, let a start be made by forming a European economic council to coordinate and guide the common economic affairs and development of the continent or of as much of it as may choose to join the scheme.

Referring to Mr. Churchill's idea of a United States of Europe based upon reconciliation between France and Germany, Field Marshal Smuts said:

"This might change the whole scene in Europe, but these

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ABORTIVE REVOLUTION IN NORTHERN PORTUGAL?

Government "Unaware Of The Motive";
"Complete Calm Reigns"

KALGAN CAPTURED

Nanking, Oct. 11.
Kalgan, Chinese Communist stronghold in Chahar Province, was captured by Government forces at 2 p.m. today.

Although it was reported earlier today that General Fu Tsi-yi's forces were making "blitz advances" on Kalgan, the news came as a surprise to the Capital.

A high Government official tonight confirmed the capture of Kalgan, and added: "We do not consider the capture a victory. It is just a further development which we hope will eventually bring about a settlement." He reiterated that the Government was still seeking a peaceful settlement.

Reuter.

troops, but at the end of that time they obtained an efficient fighting team.—Reuter.

RUMBLINGS OF DISCONTENT

Washington, Oct. 11.
Official dispatches reaching Washington from Lisbon last night suggest that a reported civil and military uprising in northern Portugal has been thwarted in advance by prompt Government action, Reuter learned from a reliable source.

There is no word of any fighting and American officials in Lisbon are still in contact with Washington and Madrid. These officials say, however, that communications with the northern city of Oporto have been cut. The spokesman at the Portuguese Embassy said no information had been received from Lisbon and no attempt had been made to communicate with that city.

New York official and business sources stated that their communications with Portugal had been normal throughout the day.

A Reuter message from Madrid says that telephone communications between Spain and Portugal were subject to "indefinite delay" last night. The Madrid exchange said they could give no information as to when Portugal would accept calls.—Reuter.

Official Statement

Lisbon, Oct. 11.
An official statement signed by the Prime Minister, Dr. Salazar, on yesterday's military rising in the north of Portugal, stated:—"Certain officers, dismissed from the army, infiltrated the Sixth Cavalry Regiment stationed at Oporto and persuaded 70 men to revolt."

"These men, led by one officer, marched towards Aveiro but surrendered without a struggle, following the prompt action of troops from the garrisons of Coimbra, Piqueira da Foz and Aveiro."

The Government statement added:—"The Government is unaware of the motive of rebellion."

The Government considered it necessary to take over the country's main telephone communications.

"Complete calm reigns throughout the country," the statement concluded.—Reuter.

Precautions

Lisbon, Oct. 11.
Extraordinary military and police precautions have been invoked here and informed sources said they believed the move was caused by Government suspicion of an incipient uprising against the regime of Premier Antonio de Oliveira Salazar.

All private telephone communications between Lisbon and the provinces were cut by Government order. All troops, police and the anti-Communist volunteer legion, "Legião Portuguesa," have been called to barracks.

The preventive measures in Lisbon appeared to have been adopted so discreetly that relatively few persons noticed any change. The life of the city appeared normal and orderly.—Associated Press.

Rumblings

Lisbon, Oct. 11.
Authoritative diplomatic sources said yesterday that reports had been reaching the British Government for some time, suggesting that opposition was developing to Dr. Antonio Salazar's "regime in Portugal."

"Deep rumblings of discontent, if not exactly a civil war," can be expected, these sources said.

A Foreign Office spokesman said he had no comment to make on the reports from Lisbon that the Portuguese Government had taken measures to prevent a possible civil and military rising.

Portuguese Embassy officials said they had "no information" on the report.

R. N. Cruisers For Indian Navy

London, Oct. 11.
The first of three cruisers to be handed over to the Indian Navy by the Royal Navy will be "Achilles," sistership of "Ajax" which played a decisive part in the defeat of the German pocket battleship "Graf Spee" at the Battle of River Plate in December, 1939.

This is stated in well-informed naval quarters in London, who add that the actual handing over is likely to take place in March, 1947.

"Achilles" has been returned to the Royal Navy by the Royal New Zealand Navy in exchange for "Black Prince." The ship is now in a British port and arrangements are being made for her transference to the Indian Navy within the next five months.

Each of the three ships to be handed over to India cost over £1,500,000 to construct.

Besides "Achilles," the "Ajax" and "Leander" will be handed to the Indian Navy. "Achilles" and "Leander" were completed in 1933 and "Ajax" two years later. The largest of the three

LONDON HOTEL STRIKE STILL SPREADING

London, Oct. 11.
The London hotel strike spread further last night.

At the Piccadilly Hotel, where pickets entered the lounge while waitresses were serving tea, and later at the Russell Hotel—both in the heart of London—the staff left in support of strikers. Eight big hotels and two restaurants are now involved.

Strikers marched to the Piccadilly, Park Lane and Palace hotels, where pickets tried to get more workers to join the stoppage.

After two restaurants—Prince's in Piccadilly and Fotomax, in Jermyn Street—had agreed to recognise the union, the London district organiser of the union declared: "Victory is in sight."

Pickets carrying employees paraded outside the big hotels last night. They included good-looking young women in fur coats and slacks.—Reuter.

ARCHBISHOP GAOLED

Belgrade, Oct. 11.
The Roman Catholic Primate of Yugoslavia, Archbishop Aloysius Stepinac, was today sentenced to sixteen years forced labour after being found guilty of "crimes against the state," the Yugoslav News Agency reported.

In addition, he was ordered to lose all his civic rights for a further five years.—Reuter.

much longer." — Associated Press.

Lisbon Quiet

Madrid, Oct. 11.
Passengers arriving from Lisbon this morning said here that everything was quiet when they left Lisbon and there were no signs of any special precautions in the streets.

The travellers said that reports from Oporto indicated that the disturbances there had apparently been provoked by a food shortage.—Reuter.

Paratroop Verdicts Quashed

London, Oct. 11.
The Secretary of State for War, Captain F. J. Belenger, yesterday announced the quashing of the convictions in the Malayan mutiny charge, in which 243 British paratroopers in Malaya were recently sentenced by court-martial to two years' imprisonment with hard labour. Orders to this effect and for the men's release were being issued forthwith. The advice he had received, the War Minister added, from the Judge Advocate General with regard to the trial was that there were a number of irregularities which rendered the trial, as a whole, unsatisfactory, and the convictions ought not to be allowed to stand.

Discussions of the sentence imposed by the Klang court martial on the 243 paratroop mutineers convicted of mutiny were understood to be the reason for the summoning to a Cabinet meeting yesterday of Captain F. J. Belenger, British War Secretary.

Captain Belenger is not a member of the Cabinet. The report on the proceedings by the Judge Advocate General was in the hands of the Cabinet and the Army Council. If the Judge Advocate, found for instance, any technical illegality in the court martial proceedings, that would almost certainly lead to the release of the men.

Otherwise, the Army Council, not the Cabinet, could if it thought fit, quash or reduce their sentences.

Throughout the week, the British press has reported a growing public outcry against the severity of the Klang sentences. Wives and mothers of the convicted men have visited the House of Commons, interviewing members of Parliament and presenting petitions signed by hundreds of thousands of people throughout Britain.—Associated Press and Reuter.

Compensation?

London, Oct. 11.
Questions ranging from compensation for the 243 men of the 13th (Lancashire) Parachute Battalion, to calls for alteration in the Regulations will be put to Captain F. J. Belenger, War Minister, in the House of Commons on Tuesday.

Mr. Hector Hughes, K. C., Labour, will ask whether as the suffering and indignity inflicted on the men were caused by irregularities caused by officers, the Minister "will take steps to compensate them adequately for their sufferings and indignity and what steps he proposed to take to assess and pay such compensation."

Major Manningham Buller, Conservative, will ask what were the irregularities which led to the trial being invalidated.

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George Medal For H.K. P.O.W.

London, Oct. 11.
Stories of bravery in Japanese prisoner-of-war camps are told in the citations to awards for distinguished service to Royal Air Force Officers and men today.

Many of the awards are to officers who by their intervention with the Japanese, their bearing, and their welfare work, saved men's lives.

In one case it is recorded that when British personnel in a prisoner-of-war camp refused to work as tradesmen, drivers and mechanics, all senior officers were severely beaten.

Possession of a wireless set meant certain execution. The citations tell of officers who built one-valve sets, hid them in hollow bamboo poles, the seats of stools, and even in a pair of clogs, and raised morale by giving nightly news bulletins, picked up from the BBC.

H.K. Award

Sergeant James Ralph Hardy received the George Medal for his work as the receiver and sender of important messages between officers at Shamshulpo prisoners-of-war camp, Hong Kong, and British intelligence officers at Wakehew. His fiancée, who is Irish, assisted.

Eventually he was captured by the Japanese and subjected to the most brutal torture including the Japanese "water torture," but he refused to reveal the names of the officers associated with his activities. His fiancée was also punished.—Reuter.

Mr. Truman Keeps His Mouth Shut

Washington, Oct. 10.
President Truman told his press conference today that he had replied to the note of protest from Prime Minister Attlee.

The President did not disclose the content of his reply. Mr. Attlee's note, which the President received last week-end, was a protest against President Truman's demand that "substantial immigration" of Jews into Palestine should begin at once, without waiting for a solution of the Palestine problem as a whole.

The British note was understood to have requested a delay in publication of the statement and then to have protested at its contents as endangering British negotiations aimed at a final solution of the Palestine problem. President Truman had nothing further to say today on the Palestine situation.—Reuter.

39,535 SQUATTERS

London, Oct. 11.
Minister of Health Aneurin Bevan told the House of Commons today that a total of 39,535 persons are living as "squatters" in 1,038 Army camps in Britain.—Associated Press.

Nazi Chiefs To Die On Wednesday

Berlin, Oct. 11.
The Allied Control Council has rejected all appeals by the sentenced Nazi leaders. All those who were sentenced to death will be executed next Wednesday.

The following were sentenced to death—all by hanging: Hermann Goering, Joachim Ribbentrop, Fritz Kaltenbrunner, Alfred Rosenberg, Hans Frank, Wilhelm Frick, Julius Streicher, Fritz Sauckel, Alfred Jodl, Arthur Seydewitz and Wilhelm Keitel. Martin Bormann was also sentenced to death in his absence.

The pleas of Goering, Jodl and Keitel to be shot instead of hanged have also been rejected.

The executions will take place before a four-power commission. In rejecting the pleas for clemency the Council also dealt with Raeder's plea to be shot instead of imprisoned and said it could not increase sentences imposed by the Tribunal.—Reuter.

Like Father Like Son

Nuernberg, Oct. 11.
Joachim von Ribbentrop, Hitler's former Foreign Minister, now under sentence of death for his part in the Nazi conspiracy, has written to Sir Alexander Walker, "care of John Walker and Sons, London," asking him to give a job to his son, stated Major Teich, a prison official.

Sir Alexander Walker was formerly Chairman of John Walker and Sons, whisky distillers, but retired before the war.

The address used by Ribbentrop is the firm's pre-war headquarters which were destroyed by bombing.

Ribbentrop was said to have had dealings with John Walkers in his wine business before he embarked on a political career.—Reuter.

THE WEATHER

General situation.—Pressure is high over Central China and Manchuria and relatively low over Western China and the seas S and E of the Continent. A complex series of depressions is moving NE across Japan. At 0900 hours GMT yesterday a depression or typhoon was centred about 300 miles NE of Manila, moving NNE, speed 10 to 15 knots.

Forecast.—Moderate N winds, weather fine. Yesterday's weather.—Maximum: 84.8 deg. Fah. Minimum: 71.6 deg. Fah. Max. Rel. Humidity: 83%. Rainfall:—Nil. Sunshine:—10.8 hours.

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COLONIAL POLICY

The appointment as Secretary of State for the Colonies of Mr. Arthur Creech-Jones, who has understood Mr. Hall at the Colonial Office for the last fourteen months, is doubtless in recognition of his long study of colonial problems. He was for some considerable time chairman of the Fabian Society's Colonial Bureau and he also served as a member of the Colonial Office Education Advisory Committee. His message on assuming his new post refers to his well-known and deep interest in Colonial progress and welfare, of which its general tenor is indicative. The theme is the need for the abandonment of the idea of master and subject races, and the substitution thereof for a partnership for the purpose of eliminating privilege and social injustice, as well as ignorance, disease and extreme poverty. To form such a partnership requires the fullest goodwill and cooperation in a common objective. As Mr. Creech-Jones points out, it is not enough for colonial administrations to be bold and imaginative. The people, too, must play their part, take an interest, assist actively and judge with understanding. The direct applicability of such counsel to this Colony, whether or not it was so intended, is unmistakable. Discussions on the best means of giving the people of Hong Kong a greater share of the management of their civic affairs are still in progress, but it may be presumed that the shape of the new measures of self-government will soon be defined, and it will then depend upon the manner in which the community responds to the opportunity that success and progress will depend. For that reason, the programme outlined by His Excellency the Governor, providing for at least 48 members in the proposed Municipal Council still seems more attractive than alternative suggestions drastically curtailing the number. In the long run the wider the franchise and the more individuals invited to play an active part in the administration of municipal Hong Kong, the greater are the advantages to be derived. Interest without participation is too much to expect.

MINISTER OF DEFENCE

Whatever may be thought of some features of Mr. Attlee's Cabinet reshuffle, widespread approval greets the appointment of a single Defence Minister. Technically, such a post is already in existence, and is held by Mr. Attlee himself, in succession to Mr. Churchill. But while the Prime Minister must always have the ultimate responsibility for Defence (as for Foreign Policy, Finance and all other Departments of State), it is improbable and indeed undesirable that he should devote to the co-ordination of defence policy in peacetime the same day-to-day attention which was essential in time of war. Yet the close correlation of the needs and plans of the three Services established during the war must certainly continue during the present period of transition. On questions of higher strategy, of weapons and manpower the three Services interlock. They should already be putting forward their estimates in common, not as three competitive claims upon supplies, manpower and finance. These claims are no doubt adjusted at present through the medium of the Cabinet Defence Committee. Clearly this Committee must continue in existence, but it can meet more frequently now that its normal President is Mr. A. V. Alexander as a full-time co-ordinating Defence Minister, who can with a comparatively small staff make a continuous study of the problems of strategy and the means required to implement their solution. For an independent Defence Minister to do his job effectively implies not merely a brilliant and broad-minded staff, but personal qualities in the Minister of energy, vision and tact. He will have to

NEW SLACKS FOR WOMEN

By PATRICIA O'BRIEN

The days of bell-bottom slacks are gone. The newest ones are tailored within an inch of their lives, and curve in to a slim ankle to give a neater, taller look.

The fabrics, too, in which they may be made have much more variety.

For instance, moire, silk velvet, heavy printed crepes and bengalines are used extensively in New York for the popular lounging slacks.

Many have platform sandals covered to match.

These are in enormous demand for informal home entertaining.

With Apologies To The Boys

Regardless of what the men in your life might think (or hope) slacks are definitely here to stay.

In the beginning they were a "stunt" fashion, a deliberate attention-getter for all the women who were tired of the conventional feminine lines.

With the war, however, and all the wartime work that women were doing, slacks became a necessity. They were warm and comfortable (vital equipment for Air Raid Shelters), and practical for agile living.

Lots of women wore them for the first time, because of their practical aspect: They learned to love them for their unequalled comfort.

Sports wear designers recognised the permanent niche waiting to be filled by really good-looking slacks, and evolved this streamlined 1946 version.

Fundamentally, women are not so constructed that they may wear men's pants successfully.

Very few girls are hipless enough to avoid that waddling look in pants that are tight around the derriere and bag down over the knees and around the ankles.

BUT so many girls look their best in jodhpurs that allow their best in jodhpurs that allow their but make their legs look neat and pretty, and so balance off the outline.

Thus this new idea of slacks came into being.

Watch Your Step

Not as tight fitting as jodhpurs, certainly, but following their general principle.

The effect is sleek and very feminine.

In these you won't look as though you are masquerading in your brother's pants.... these are all yours, and have nothing whatsoever to do with the Men's Wear Dept.

How you stand and walk in slacks—any kind of slacks—has a lot to do with the general impression they make.

Of course, one of the seven deadly sins is to wear high heels with them.

Even medium heels are a cardinal error.

Your shoes must have nothing but flat, flat heels if your slacks are to hang properly.

Remember, too, not to mince along as you are wont to do in your still heels.

But don't on the other hand, feel that you must stride out with masculine vigor.

Just remember to walk naturally, your back straight and your head held high.

Regardless of how encouraging all this may seem, slacks are still not every woman's dish.

If you are frankly on the podgy side, or if you are very tiny, or amazon-tall, avoid them altogether.

If you're in doubt try before you buy. Have a pair fitted in a day-light fitting room, with three good mirrors. This is something in which every angle counts.

Remember, the boys are anti- (Continued at foot of next Col.)

supervise, without absorbing them, three Departments with strong and differing traditions, each of which has had at its head a Minister habitually of Cabinet rank. Cabinet rank is not now essential to the political heads of the three Service Ministries under the new scheme, though it is out of the question to assimilate the three Services or to abolish the three Ministries. Yet some subordination is the essence of any workable plan. Fortunately, experience since 1939 has destroyed many inter-service prejudices without modifying the legitimate pride which each Service takes in its corporate spirit.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Okay, now practice boxing in de clifches till we get to 59th street—den a jog through de park and we'll call it a davi!"

Towards A United States Of Europe

By RANDOLPH CHURCHILL

"Kingdom of the Netherlands." But this last attempt at union broke down in 1830 when the Belgians rose against the Dutch after the July Revolution in Paris. On that occasion, the religious differences between the Catholic Belgians and the Calvinist Dutch precluded a satisfactory merger of the two countries.

Religious Issue

The last difficulty may crop up again now, but to a lesser degree. Today nearly 40 per cent of the population of Holland is Catholic, and the percentage is increasing. Some Dutch Protestants fear that an economic union with Belgium might be followed by a political union and that they then would be swamped by an overwhelming Catholic majority. Against this, it is argued that, anyway, within the next twenty years there will be such a majority in Holland alone, for the Catholic birth rate is much higher than the Protestant. In any event, in what we hope to be an age of increasing religious tolerance, the problem ought not to be insoluble.

The exclusion of Germany from the economic world is already having serious effects on Dutch and Belgian trade. Dr. Hendrik Vos, Dutch Minister of Transport, said in a speech last month: "The disappearance of Germany in international trade hits the Netherlands severely. The existence of a country with a low standard of living just across our frontiers must have an extremely detrimental influence on our economic life." The great port of Rotterdam, for instance, which once flourished on entrepot trade with Germany, is now at a standstill. The British and American are using Hamburg and Bremen.

Thrashing It Out

It is encouraging, however, to find the Governments of Holland and Belgium getting down to the problem and

slacks, on principle. And goodness knows they've been provoked into this solid aggression by many a hapless example: some of their arguments are very sound.

The point is, though, if you are reasonably slim and choose slacks that are designed for you (not him), he's sure to weaken and like the effect.

thrashing out an answer. Too often, statesmen are prone to wring their hands and bewail their lot without taking any intelligent, practical steps to solve a problem. An economic merger would do something to offset the loss of the German market. Once an economic and monetary union had been effected between Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg, there would be, including their colonies, over 100,000,000 people associated in this enterprise.

The next step, of course, would be to come to a sensible economic agreement with France. This might be a much more difficult business to organize, but Holland and Belgium are keenly conscious that they would be in a much better position to negotiate with France if they were united. Between them, they would constitute a formidable economic alliance and one which every country in the world would respect.

Stepping Stone

All this, of course, would be a stepping stone toward a United States of Western Europe, which this writer has so constantly urged. Such an idea is often condemned as impractical and idealistic, but it must surely be agreed that some form of international federation is the only hope for the world. Confronted by a problem to which there is only one solution, it is suicidal to dismiss that solution on the grounds of impracticability.

The Paris Peace Conference has demonstrated beyond doubt that 21 nations sitting round a table, each striving to seize what it can from the chaotic aftermath of war, will never achieve lasting peace. Until the great powers follow the lead given by Holland and Belgium at this critical stage, there is very little hope for the exhausted and bewildered people of the world.

Many things are discussed in Europe today in private which are not openly spoken of. There is a general understanding among the nations of Western Europe that it is better not to talk of a "Western bloc" for fear of being denounced by the Russians as "fascist beasts." The very phrase "Western bloc" has come to imply an aggressive unholy alliance. But "United States of Western Europe" is a phrase which everyone, even the most timid, can accept and work for without misgivings.

Many Years

A full union of Holland and Belgium would take many years to achieve. But the people of those two countries are looking far ahead. It might well be that this splendid enterprise might be capped by the marriage of Prince Baudouin, heir apparent to the Belgian throne, and Princess Beatrix, eldest daughter of Princess Juliana and heir presumptive to the throne of Holland. An heir from such a marriage would unite two dynasties and might, in the fullness of time, reign over what might well be called the "United Netherlands."

A LINE OR TWO FROM SYDNEY

By G.C.B.

Sydney, Oct. 11. Labour withstood the violent attacks of the opposition and the Chifley Government was retained at the Commonwealth elections on Saturday. It was a bitter Sydney battle in which no holds were barred, scurrilous outbursts made and organised hoodlums employed. The Press stood three-square against Labour, for whom Prime Minister J. B. Chifley asked for a blank cheque in contrast to the extravagant promises made by the opposition, especially in regard to taxation. Betting was reputed to be 6-4 on no change in government, and the average thinking man was inclined to discount the newspaper forecast of a probable landslide in favour of Menzies and the Liberal Party.

Saturday's elections provided the paradox of Labour playing the role of conservatives while their opponents raised the banner of social reform. Chifley, former engine-driver, is a man of the people, honest, solid, undemonstrative and respected by even his worst enemy.

Adults are compelled to vote at the Commonwealth elections or pay a fine up to H.K. \$25, and this has raised the poll to 94 per cent.

Gun Battles

Apart from the elections the week was not without incident. Antonio Martini, who had been hunted ever since July 17, when he escaped from custody, was caught after he had been wounded in the forehead during a gun battle in which 100 shots were exchanged. The very next day a boy of 16, who had escaped from a prison farm, was cornered and more than 30 shots were fired before he gave himself up. He had run out of ammunition. In these two gun-duels no one was seriously injured. Police have now asked for a better type of revolver and the opportunity for practice.

Housing problems are still acute and one returned serviceman took the opportunity of the elections to distribute circulars stating that he would give £10 to anyone who would secure for him an unfurnished house. The Labour officials took some persuading that he was not acting in Liberal interests, pointing out the shortage of houses under the Labour administration.

A machine to produce sugar artificially, a fly screen to kill flies by electricity and a process for converting mercury into gold are among the curious but impractical inventions submitted to the Commonwealth Patents Office.

Rocket Testing

Construction of an A28 million rocket testing range in the Central Australian Desert is to begin immediately. A Singapore merchant complains that inferior quality and poorly packed Australian goods are flooding Malaysia and will jeopardise future trading. Sydney's colony of half women buy two wigs at a time—one to keep at home and the other goes to the hairdresser for a wave—as 18 to 20 guineas each. Due to war waves and shocks the demand is increasing rapidly, and a wig will last three years with care.

A woman offered to bet anyone £50 that a woman entrant in the National quiz competition would beat the other five male entrants. She won her bet and gave the money to charity as "she had the satisfaction of knowing that it is ridiculous for men to pit their brains against women in intelligence tests."

The black ban on the liner Katoomba, which was imposed on July 19, has been lifted and the vessel will sail shortly for Genoa.

No one has any idea when nylon supplies will be available for Australian manufacture.

Three British film companies will be making films in Australia this year. Ealing Studios' "The Overlanders," made in Australia, has been given world acclaim as "magnificent." Next month tobacco and cigarette supplies will be back to the 1939 level, but there is a 20 per cent population increase.

When completed, the A28 million dam at Eildon on the Goulburn River, Victoria, will be the biggest in the Commonwealth. An economic depression in Australia is unthinkable declared the chairman of an investment company at the annual meeting.

NOT CORRECT

Washington, Oct. 11. The Russian Embassy called one of its few press conferences in recent years today to describe as "not correct" a statement by American Customs officials that Soviet Ambassador Novikov was given "all the usual diplomatic courtesies" on his arrival in New York on Oct. 4.

The Embassy already had protested to the State Department about the "rough" treatment Novikov allegedly received—Associated Press.

CLASH OF BEVIN AND MOLOTOV

Suspensions As To Designs Of Soviet Union

Britain May Not Accept Treaty

Paris, Oct. 11.

The Slav and the Western nations clashed last night over the questions of freedom of navigation in the Danube and of commerce with Balkans, as the Paris Conference rushed to complete the text of the treaty with Rumania.

Attacking the "Dollar Democracies," M. Molotov, Soviet Foreign Minister, accused Britain and the United States of seeking to further "imperialist ambitions" in the Balkans. Mr. Bevin, who led the attack with U.S. Senator Vandenberg, said that the Soviet proposal to restrict the use of the Danube exclusively to the countries along its banks was "not only a retrograde step but a deliberate discriminatory action against their Allies who fought with them in the war."

He said the main thing which had emerged from the debate on the Danube was the "desire to settle the problem of the Danube in the peace treaties with the former satellites of Germany, by dictating to the vanquished countries." "Certain of those who urge the establishment of a new Danubian regime are giving the impression of dictating to the Allied countries orders concerning their native Danube which will be binding on them," he continued. "This one-sided lack of objectivity can still be seen in the way in which the Danube problem is being raised now."

19th Century Imperialism

M. Molotov described the machine established on the Danube 80 years ago as typically imperialistic policy of the 19th century.

"If we really intend to abandon imperialism of the 19th century why should we cling to such survivals of imperialism as this?" he asked. "We are now being offered a new programme—equality of opportunity. But if we are to speak of equality of rights and opportunities of states in the matter of waterways let us talk about them in a fair and honest way."

"The Danube is not the only international waterway."

Panama Parallel

"Let us talk for instance of the Suez Canal or the Panama Canal, in which a great number of countries are interested. If you grant equality of opportunity in Rumania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia for instance, what will remain of their industries? They can all be very easily bought by American capital in a short time and so become the property of American capital."

"We might live to see the time when although living at home in our native countries, we hear the English or American languages whenever we turn the wireless on. If we consider this situation can we believe that should we enable the small countries to compete freely with the United States

and Britain, they will be able to pursue an independent policy? They would live at the bidding of others."

Dollar Democracy

"In the present situation equality of opportunity means not equality but an economic position in which capitalists may become the masters of the whole states and rule them by the method of dollar democracy."

"That is why we must see that the question of the Danube is not settled in a hurry. Because one has more force, dollars or pounds, sterling, he is not entitled thereby to dictate his will and give his orders to the vanquished allied countries," M. Molotov added.

Mr. Bevin said: "I want to see the Danube as a great artery of commerce as free as the sea, where merchant ships of all nations move freely and peacefully, bringing prosperity to these needy lands."

Not Enslavement

He claimed the right of equal treatment for all in commercial relations with Rumania.

"We have been denounced and misrepresented for trying to do this and our policy has been labelled as one of economic enslavement. How can it be enslavement if we ask exactly the same treatment for all?" he demanded.

"Really these slogans which are hurled at Great Britain are both unfair and unjust."

"I am not at this plenary session going into details, but I mention it in order to reserve my position before the final settlement by the Council of Foreign Ministers. The main point is that it will be very difficult for us to accept the final treaty unless Great Britain is given precisely the same treatment as the others are given. Here I must make it clear that we are not opposed to nationalisation and have in fact announced in Parliament our attitude towards public ownerships. But we do hold for fair and equal treatment for foreign interests in connection with any policy that is adopted. If joint companies with the other Allies are established by Rumania or if other countries

SCOTCH MUST BE SCOTCH

London, Oct. 10.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, Mr. J. W. Belcher, today received a deputation from the Scotch Whisky Association on the subject of the protection of the word "Scotch" as a geographical designation applied to whisky throughout the world.

Examples were cited to the Secretary of world-wide instances where local products were falsely described as Scotch whisky. Mr. Belcher told the delegation that the question of appropriate action would be considered. Reuter.

are allowed to operate there then we claim exactly the same rights."

Vital Matter

Speaking of the Danube, Mr. Bevin said: "It seems a little strange that after all our sacrifices we should be placed in the worst position, worse than we held before the war." The Danube was sitting up rapidly in parts and navigation must become impossible in a comparatively short time.

"The establishment of international machinery to arrest this deterioration and prevent serious disasters is therefore vital and of the most extreme urgency," Mr. Bevin said. "We do not claim that the previous international regime was perfect but at any rate it did ensure that this great waterway should be kept open."

Suspensions Of Soviet

"We cannot but feel that the Soviet proposal which seeks to restrict the use of the Danube is not only a retrograde step but a deliberate discriminatory action against their Allies who fought with them in the war. It is this policy which gives rise to a good deal of suspicion as to the designs of the Soviet Union in this part of the world. I know of nothing that will do more to remove this suspicion than the acceptance of the proposal for freedom of navigation of the Danube."

M. Vyacheslav Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister, making one of his rare extemporary speeches from a hastily scribbled notes, followed Mr. Bevin.

Avoidance Of Barriers

Senator Vandenberg, answered a Slav argument that the United States should think more about the St. Lawrence River than the Danube, by declaring that vessels of all nations "are welcome to use the Saint Lawrence on terms of equality with those of the United States and Canada."

More than that, he said, the United States is "riparian by proxy" so long as United States forces are occupying sections of Germany and Austria to whose economic progress the Danube is "indispensable."

"We must act as the econo-

Virtual State Of Siege In Rome

Rome, Oct. 11.

Calm was restored yesterday in Rome, where two persons were killed and more than 100 wounded in a clash on Wednesday between demonstrators, relief workers and the police. Heavy police forces guarded the approaches to the Viminale Palace, scene of Wednesday's rioting, but only a few persons were allowed near the barricades.

Apparently a Government announcement that the workers would be absorbed on another project, instead of being dismissed next Saturday, restored order.

A death roll of two, and 141 persons injured, resulted from Wednesday's battling between workmen and police at Viminale Palace, the Government seat, as Premier Alcide De Gasperi heavily guarded, strove to solve Italy's threatening labour problem.

Early yesterday, strong reinforcements of police, troops, with helmets and carbines, had

mic trustees for parts of Germany and Austria. Peace is substantially related to avoidance of economic barriers," Vandenberg said.

Slav Attack

The United States Senator was followed by Yugoslav Deputy Premier, Eduard Kardelj, who attacked the majority report on the ground that the Peace Conference "is not competent to deal with the Danube question." He claimed a greater Danubian role for Yugoslavia because "50 per cent of its course is through Yugoslav territory."

He then declared: "We must not mix up Democratic principles of the past century with the living conditions of today."

He contended that it would be absurd to impose obligations on Allied countries such as Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia simply to impose them on Rumania.

Spheres Of Influence
Kardelj served notice that Yugoslavia could not accept internationalisation except by the "free consent" of nations concerned and by them exclusively.

He charged that the Commission majority was only an extension of Western imperialism. He said the internationalisation of the Danube was born after the Crimean War as a measure directed against Turkey "by Imperialist powers."

"We live in the 20th Century. We can read history books. There is no sense in pretending that we don't understand the meaning of the present discussion—the fight for spheres of influence is not over yet."

"Why should there be a monopoly of navigation on the Mediterranean and an internationalisation of the Danube? Doesn't the Conference think that power politics can endanger world peace?" Associated Press and Reuter.

taken positions at all approaches to the Palace. During the night, barbed wire was strung across all streets leading to the Palace. Within the Viminale's courtyard, tanks and mounted policemen are ready for any renewed outbreaks.

Deep Causes

A Government communique placed Wednesday's injured at 141, 18 of them by gunfire. Sixteen arrests have been made.

The Government announced yesterday that it planned to absorb the workmen threatened with dismissal from the Rome project, in another programme.

The announcement of their dismissal, which the Government said was an "error," touched off Wednesday's rioting.

There were implications that the cause of the street fighting went deeper than even Italy's ominous labour situation, as Signor de Gasperi struck out in a news conference at "political forces attempting to exploit the difficulties that any Italian Government would have to cope with today," and the Communist press accused Fascist conspirators with provoking the bloody conflict. Associated Press.

More Attacks

Trieste, Oct. 11.—The headquarters of the Italian-Slovene Anti-Fascist Union were attacked yesterday in Monfalcone and Gorizia, the towns which the Paris conference is to leave just inside Italy.

In Monfalcone two members of the Union's Cultural Club were shot and seriously wounded when five shots were fired. Reuter.

Molotov Closes The Door

(By SYLVAIN MANGEOT)

Paris, Oct. 10.

Paris conference observers regard M. Molotov's uncompromising rejection in the plenary session today of the views of the Western powers on the economic future of the Balkans and the internationalisation of the Danube, as closing the door to any hopes of an eleventh hour compromise on these issues.

Members of the Western powers delegations, commenting on M. Molotov's speech did not conceal their disappointment. One of them expressed the opinion that M. Molotov appeared to have gone back on the principles recently enunciated by Marshal Stalin, who in an interview, declared that it would be possible for the Soviet and the other powers to reach a working understanding in the postwar world despite ideological differences.

Mr. Bevin's speech today on the economic aspects of the Rumanian peace treaty is seen by some observers as a most significant contribution and the best yet made to the proceedings.

All 13 political clauses of the Rumanian draft treaty were adopted quickly by the plenary session of the Paris conference meeting, 1910 tonight. These clauses mainly provide for the release of pro-Allied internees, the dissolution of Fascist organizations and the surrender of war criminals. Altogether there are 38 articles and six annexes to be voted before the session ends under the one-day limit for discussion of the treaty. Reuter.

Passports For Stateless

London, Oct. 11.

Hundreds of thousands of war refugees and displaced persons may benefit from the agreement which is now on the point of being reached between 27 countries on travel documents for refugees.

For three days the delegates have been discussing a scheme to regularise the position of those "stateless in law or in fact" and it is now expected the agreement will go to the committee for final drafting, without any major dispute having arisen.

Holders of the proposed new passports will be able to leave and re-enter the country of issue as long as the document is valid. Reuter.

Pamphlet Bombs In Palestine

Jerusalem, Oct. 11.

Thirty-six pamphlet bombs exploded in Tel-Aviv and Jerusalem, breaking the calm of Palestine at the beginning of the nine-day Jewish festival of Sukoth.

The bombs, which scattered propaganda of the Jewish extremist organisation Irgun Zvai Leumi, injured four Jewish passersby in Tel-Aviv where 80 of the missiles exploded.

There were no casualties in Jerusalem.

Police were on the alert for possible Jewish-Arab troubles springing from the festival.

Troops with tommyguns kept Jews from the Arab quarters.

The Sukoth festival commemorates the falling of manna from Heaven to feed Israelites wandering in the desert. Associated Press.



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HULL BETTER

Washington, Oct. 11.

The Naval hospital reported today that former Secretary of State Cordell Hull showed considerable improvement. He, 75, is being treated for a stroke which he suffered Sept. 30. Once during the week his condition was regarded as grave. Associated Press.



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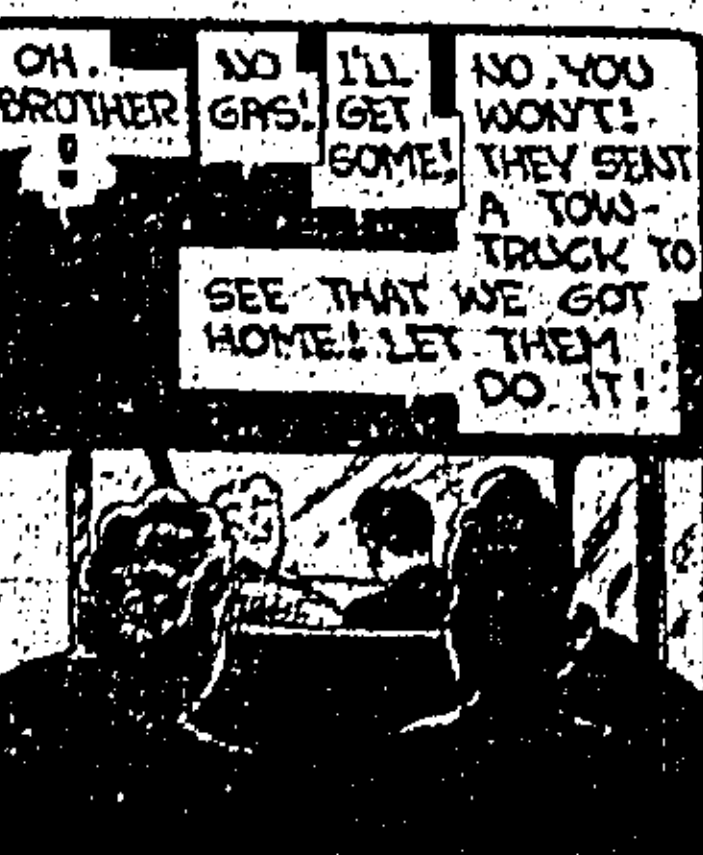
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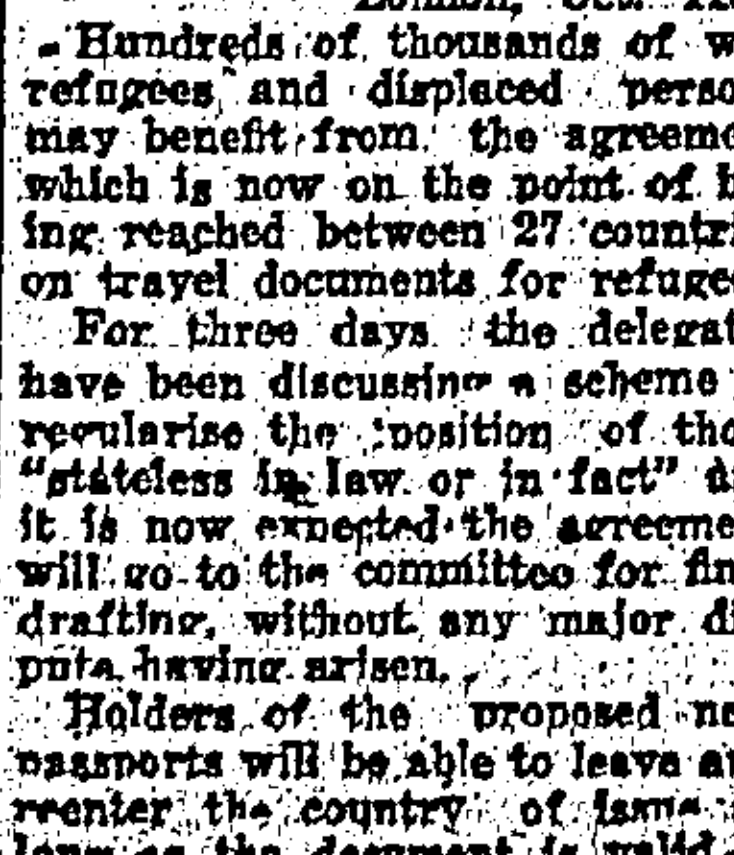
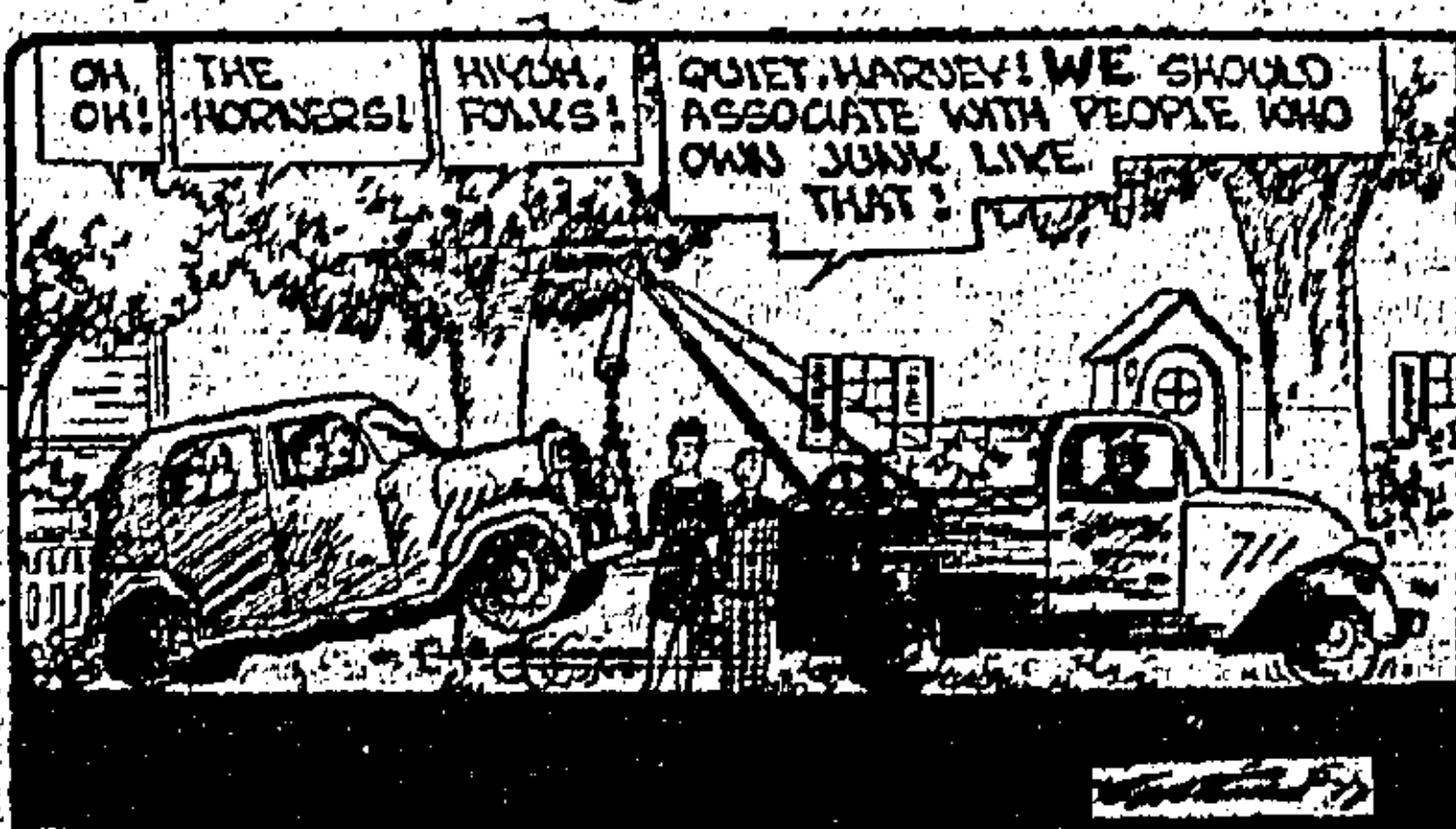
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Merrily We Roll Along BY EDGAR MARTIN



September's Imports Top \$110,000,000 Mark

Annual Meeting Of The "Y"

"Five" and half years have elapsed since our last meeting and many are the changes that have taken place in the meantime. My address to you tonight will, I fear, be longer than either you or I would wish but I will try to be as concise as possible.

In these words, Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Acting President of the European Y.M.C.A., opened the first post-war annual general meeting of the Association yesterday at the "Y" which was largely attended.

Mr. Cassidy revealed that during interment at Stanley a committee of members spent a considerable time planning for the future. They evolved a scheme by which Government would be asked to exchange the present site for one further out and on the new site would be erected premises which would be on a bigger scale than the present ones.

New Building

The present building is valued in the books at \$350,000 and if the "Y" was unable to regain possession of it, it might be as well to open negotiations with Land Forges with a view to its disposal and the proceeds of sale could then be used for a new building, provided in the meantime the grant of a new site could be obtained from Government.

Tribute was paid to Mr. Ingram for the loyal and conscientious way in which he has carried on his devoted much of his time at Stanley to keeping the "Y" in being and during his leave in England he was in constant touch with the National Council.

Mr. Raiton had also worked very hard for the "Y" but had now accepted a Government appointment, so that his services as Assistant Secretary were being lost, Mr. Cassidy continued.

The Future

Speaking of the future of the Association, Mr. Cassidy appealed for more members and said that in the past too much has been left to a mere handful of keen people. Too many members were taking advantage of the facilities the "Y" had to offer and give nothing in return.

Reference was made in the course of the meeting to those members who fell in action or who otherwise lost their lives during the war years. The meeting stood in silence for a few moments in tribute to the departed.

The following were elected to the Board of Directors:

Messrs. J. A. Blackwood, A. S. Macdonald, A. J. C. Taylor, C. Travers, J. Moodie, M. L. H. Raiton, P. S. Cassidy and Prof. R. Robertson.

The other vacancies will be filled by the head of the three Services and the three members of the Members Council.

In proposing a vote of thanks to Mr. Cassidy, Prof. R. Robertson said that no annual General Meeting had been held the last 5 1/2 years and during those years Mr. Cassidy had done all the work. He had given ungrudgingly and unstintingly to the Association a lot of time and hard work.

Memorial

At the meeting it was also revealed that efforts were made to get assistance from the Canadian "Y" towards a new building which it was hoped would be a memorial to the Canadians who fought for Hong Kong.

ANOTHER NEW CHINESE BANK

Latest of China's banking institutions to branch out in Hong Kong is the Yen Bank Ltd. which opened for business yesterday morning on the ground floor of Exchange Buildings.

From early morning streams of people, friends and well-wishers poured in to offer their congratulations to the Bank's Chairman, of Directors, Dr. Pang Bin Chin, who specially flew to Hong Kong to preside at the opening ceremony.

The Hong Kong Branch is the first of the Bank's offices outside of China.

Crowds of curious spectators were attracted by the rows of flower baskets and congratulatory scrolls both outside the entrance of the Bank and inside the banking hall.

The Statistical Office of the Imports and Exports Department reports that imports of merchandise into the Colony of Hong Kong during the month of September, 1946 amounted to a declared value of \$110,764,938 as compared with \$39,873,387 in the month of September, 1939. Exports totalled a declared value of \$97,834,001 as compared with \$42,495,753.

Imports during the first nine months of 1946 amounted to a declared value of \$631,618,138 as compared with \$443,653,162 in the first nine months of 1939; and Exports totalled \$516,445,256 as compared with \$402,930,762. No cognizance has been taken in the following tables of Government "sponsored cargoes."

COUNTRIES	IMPORTS	EXPORTS
UNITED KINGDOM	\$3,477,029	\$3,477,029
Australia	414,164	414,164
Burma	19,606	19,606
Canada	315,865	315,865
Ceylon	33,853	33,853
East Africa	20,913	20,913
India	557,640	557,640
Malaya (British)	672,623	672,623
New Zealand	3,732	3,732
North Borneo	258,482	258,482
South Africa	116,688	116,688
West Africa	—	—
West Indies	—	—
British Empire, other	5,406	5,406
Belgium	197,638	197,638
China, North	13,690,620	13,690,620
China, Middle	94,835	94,835
China, South	2,533,455	2,533,455
Cuba	—	—
Central America	3,450	3,450
Denmark	4,818	4,818
Egypt	416	416
France	303,005	303,005
French Indo-China	1,417,375	1,417,375
Germany	288,247	288,247
Holland	456,424	456,424
Italy	246,806	246,806
Japan	1,596,114	1,596,114
Kwong Chow Wan	1,704,136	1,704,136
Macao	3,111,835	3,111,835
Norway	48,411	48,411
Netherlands East Indies	1,901,509	1,901,509
Philippines	218,532	218,532
Portugal	605	605
Siam	1,972,589	1,972,589
South America	74,540	74,540
Sweden	39,233	39,233
Switzerland	39,361	39,361
Spain	2,040	2,040
U.S.A.	3,597,133	3,597,133
U.S.S.R.	—	—
Others	231,298	231,298
Total	39,873,387	39,873,387

ARTICLES	IMPORTS	EXPORTS
Animals, Live	\$ 996,749	\$ 3,114,110
Building Materials	500,475	3,011,989
Chemicals and Drugs	476,131	5,670,615
Chinese Medicines	1,706,001	5,782,753
Dye and Tanning Materials	402,388	1,694,713
Foodstuffs and Provisions	8,761,856	22,790,428
Fuels	1,051,895	2,688,886
Hardware	321,262	1,566,819
Liquors, Intoxicating	342,987	1,428,576
Machinery & Engines	728,959	479,519
Manures	42,395	485,624
Metals	2,647,761	4,445,424
Minerals & Ores	20,245	627,242
Nuts & Seeds	472,951	1,852,759
Oils & Fats	4,369,415	11,854,030
Paints	142,710	428,894
Paper & Paperware	841,771	4,252,937
Piecegoods & Textiles	9,680,952	16,099,950
Railway Materials	—	393
Tobacco	394,278	2,816,589
Treasure	41,536	3,830,000
Vehicles	991,450	2,404,967
Wearing Apparel	447,373	1,061,832
Sundries	3,473,379	16,020,037
Total	39,873,387	110,764,938

COUNTRIES	IMPORTS	EXPORTS
UNITED KINGDOM	\$33,014,362	\$23,622,921
Australia	4,331,420	24,634,789
Burma	981,387	—
Canada	3,966,355	3,664,714
Ceylon	202,868	226,851
East Africa	299,479	111,390
India	6,780,112	39,603,428
Malaya (British)	9,961,718	51,197,586
New Zealand	355,005	107,765
North Borneo	2,240,733	1,325,686
South Africa	1,389,797	19,628
West Africa	—	—
West Indies	—	—
British Empire, Other	446,670	17,228,518
Belgium	5,401,278	4,812,322
China, North	115,978,079	68,261,577
China, Middle	13,166,819	36,150,105
China, South	36,391,471	121,131,429
Cuba	—	—
Central America	1,072	77,208
Denmark	1,046,295	486,532
Egypt	84,226	304,217
France	2,386,546	867,180
French Indo-China	26,380,036	40,376,616
Germany	12,932,295	69,071
Holland	3,817,339	823,742
Italy	1,806,606	—
Japan	21,351,711	3,607,216
Kwong Chow Wan	17,315,923	66,301,028
Macao	502,780	5,409,395
Norway	26,246,806	6,448,450
Netherlands E. Indies	1,705,623	3,800,277
Philippines	70,477	378,874
Portugal	20,704,251	20,763,073
Siam	640,405	21,904
South America	337,259	865,941
Sweden	806,624	2,143,767
Switzerland	246,320	72,308
Spain	40,327,637	89,359,670
U.S.A.	4,062,020	478,761
U.S.S.R.	—	—
Others	448,053,162	631,118,138
Total	448,053,162	631,118,138

ARTICLES	IMPORTS	EXPORTS
Animals, Live	\$10,505,293	\$22,478,062
Building Materials	6,141,285	14,898,052
Chemicals & Drugs	6,009,417	20,425,862
Total	22,655,995	57,802,076

Abortion Charge

—Dr. Shin Kwai-shang, of No. 14, Morrison Hill Road, third floor, was charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon K.C. at the Central Magistracy yesterday with using instruments with intent to procure an abortion.

A 32-year-old accountant, Lau Tak-chung, of No. 167, Hennessy Road, first floor, was charged with counselling or abetting the alleged offence.

At the request of Detective Sub-Inspector R.F.E. White, the case was adjourned three days for further enquiries.

Mr. Alfred Y. Hon, appearing for Lau, stated that Mr. M. A. da Silva would be defending Dr. Shin.

Accused were released on bail of \$5,000 each.

Dr. Liu Chieh In Macao

Macao, Oct. 9.

On a private visit to his parents in Macao, Dr. Liu Chieh, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of China, arrived here yesterday by the SS "Kwongshai."

In addition to his father, Mr. Liu Chai, a Knight of the Order of Beneficence of Portugal, and a well-known local philanthropist, the visitor was welcomed at the wharf by Mr. Telles de Vasconcelos, representing His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government; Dr. Kuo Tse Fan, the Special Delegate of the Waichiao in Macao; Colonel Wat Ian Chak and Mr. Lee Bing Shek, respectively Chairman and Secretary of the local branch of the Kuomintang.

Dr. Liu Chieh is staying with his family for a few days before proceeding to New York for the United Nations Assembly convened for October 23. While here he takes part in the Double-Tea celebrations, for which arrangements have been made under the auspices of the Kuomintang.

Our Own Correspondent.

In Brief

The reception to Dean Rose which was arranged for Monday has been postponed to the following day, at 5 p.m. in the Cathedral Hall. It is hoped that as many as possible of the Dean's friends and worshippers at the Cathedral will be present.

Letters of administration with the will annexed have been granted to Mr. D. B. Evans, solicitor, legal attorney of Mrs. Agnes Symons, residing at House 3, Passage 120, Route Say Zong, Shanghai, to take care of the late Mr. Dick Symons' local estate sworn under \$11,000. Mr. Symons died in Shanghai on Jan. 19, 1946.

Lieut. Col. John Crawford, who left Ottawa for Hong Kong on Oct. 7, arrived here by plane on Thursday.

Lieut. Col. Crawford was the Senior Medical Officer with the Canadian Forces in Hong Kong during the hostilities and in Shamshui POW Camp. He will be appearing as a Prosecution witness at the trial of Col. Tokunaga and Captain Saito, who will face divers war crime charges at No. 7 War Crimes Court on Monday, Oct. 21.

ARTICLES	IMPORTS	EXPORTS
Chinese Medicines	20,538,223	58,305,804
Dye & Tan. Materials	7,261,320	7,438,415
Foodstuffs & Provisions	167,411,363	80,305,256
Fuels	11,238,580	8,096,951
Hardware	3,804,887	2,411,326
Liquors, Intoxicating	3,050,068	7,544,518
Machinery & Engines	4,423,703	5,304,109
Manures	7,729,626	1,027,472
Metals	32,538,854	18,536,298
Minerals & Ores	4,240,214	998,714
Nuts & Seeds	7,501,493	16,163,376
Oils & Fats	69,241,559	74,970,814
Paints	1,631,085	2,761,816
Paper & Paperware	8,468,539	20,787,840
Piecegoods & Textiles	69,373,596	62,234,440
Railway Materials	76,152	5,521
Tobacco	7,951,292	15,184,376
Treasure	505,270	3,866,238
Vehicles	12,445,978	9,278,405
Wearing Apparel	3,081,295	7,002,579
Sundries	62,109,787	103,478,818
Total	444,218,425	631,118,138
Merchandise only	443,653,162	631,118,138

THE "OTRANTO"

Latest information concerning the arrival of the "Otranto" indicates that while the vessel is expected to arrive in Hong Kong at approximately 9 a.m. on Monday morning, it is unlikely that relatives and friends will be permitted to board her until 11 a.m.

The "Otranto" was delayed during her trip by having to steam back 200 miles in response to a medical S.O.S. from a Dutch ship, which had a man on board requiring urgent operation.

WHOLESALE VEGETABLE PRICES

The following prices, per catt, prevailed at the Government Wholesale Vegetable Market in Kowloon yesterday:

Article	Price	Article	Price
Angled Luffa	32	Chungking, Green Lat Chiu	25
Balsam Pear, Foo Kwah	43	Chinese Chives, Kau	32
Beans, Spring Tau Kok	90	Chinese Chives, Buds	40
Brinjal, Egg Plant, Ai	27	Kau Tsai Fa	40
Kwa	27	Ginger, Old Lo Keung	45
Cabbage, Chin. Flower	50	do. Stem, Chekung	25
Pak Tsai Sam	60	Lettuces, Chinese Sang	15
Cabbage, Chin. White	34	Lotus Roots, Lin Ngau	25
Bak Tsai	42	Marimony Vine, Kau	50
Cabbage, Leaf, mustard	30	Chin. Tulip, Lo Pak	37
Kai Tsai, Big	20	Onions, Chin., Green	32
do. Small	15	Chungking, Green, Muk	11
Chillies, Green Lat Chiu	25	Potatoes, Sweet Faan	14
Chinese Chives, Kau	32	Shui	12
Chinese Chives, Buds	40	Chin. Kale, Kai Lan	113
Kau Tsai Fa	40	Spinach	20
Ginger, Old Lo Keung	45	Chinese, Yin Tsai	10
do. Stem, Chekung	25	Water Oat Taro	23
Lettuces, Chinese Sang	15	Taro, Wu Taro	12
Lotus Roots, Lin Ngau	25	Water Cress, Sai Yeung	167
Marimony Vine, Kau	50	Tsai	135
Chin. Tulip, Lo Pak	37	Yam, Tai Shui	30
Onions, Chin., Green	32	Yam Beans, Sa Kot	10
Chungking, Green, Muk	11		
Potatoes, Sweet Faan	14		
Shui	12		
Chin. Kale, Kai Lan	113		
Spinach	20		
Chinese, Yin Tsai	10		
Water Oat Taro	23		
Taro, Wu Taro	12		
Water Cress, Sai Yeung	167		
Tsai	135		
Yam, Tai Shui	30		
Yam Beans, Sa Kot	10		

Cantonese Engineers Visit H.K.

A party of 186 Chinese engineers, representing different branches of the profession, arrived by train from Canton yesterday morning on a tour of inspection of the Colony's factories and industrial plants.

Several tours are being arranged. Yesterday, one party visited the China Light plant at Hungnam and other parties today will visit the Hong Kong Electric plant at North Point, the Taihook Dockyard and the National Paint Lacquer Co.'s works at North Point.

This evening they will be the guests of the Hong Kong Chinese Engineers' Association at a dinner in the Peninsula Hotel. They will catch Monday morning's train back to Canton.

WOMAN INJURED

A young Chinese woman received serious injuries to the head as a result of being struck by a piece of scaffolding yesterday.

At about 11.30 a.m. outside the Kam Sing Restaurant in Queen's Road Central, the woman had to make a detour as the foot-path was cluttered up with scaffolding, which also overhung onto the roadway. As she stepped into the road, the wheels of a lorry ran over the scaffolding a piece of which struck her.

The woman was taken to hospital by the driver of the lorry.

ARTICLES	IMPORTS	EXPORTS
Chinese Medicines	20,538,223	58,305,804
Dye & Tan. Materials	7,261,320	7,438,415
Foodstuffs & Provisions	167,411,363	80,305,256
Fuels	11,238,580	8,096,951
Hardware	3,804,887	2,411,326
Liquors, Intoxicating	3,050,068	7,544,518
Machinery & Engines	4,423,703	5,304,109
Manures	7,729,626	1,027,472
Metals	32,538,854	18,536,298
Minerals & Ores	4,240,214	998,714
Nuts & Seeds	7,501,493	16,163,376
Oils & Fats	69,241,559	74,970,814
Paints	1,631,085	2,761,816
Paper & Paperware	8,468,539	20,787,840
Piecegoods & Textiles	69,373,596	62,234,440
Railway Materials	76,152	5,521
Tobacco	7,951,292	15,184,376
Treasure	505,270	3,866,238
Vehicles	12,445,978	9,278,405
Wearing Apparel	3,081,295	7,002,579
Sundries	62,109,787	103,478,818
Total	444,218,425	631,118,138
Merchandise only	443,653,162	631,118,138

Price Control Fines

Miss Tsang Toi-ho, of the Ambassador Ballroom, Kam Ling Restaurant, West Point, was summoned before Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday for selling a package of "Camel" cigarettes at \$2.00, the controlled price being 90 cents.

Mr. W. H. Nolloth of the Price Control Department, said that defendant ran a cigarette and sweet stall inside the ballroom.

A fine of \$500 was imposed. Tsang Chung-lun, of the Tung Wo Store, No. 64, Des Voeux Road Central, was summoned for selling a pound of Kingsford Cornstarch at \$3.50, the controlled price being 90 cents, and with failing to affix the price.

Defendant was fined \$500 on the first summons and \$50 on the second count.

Hui Tit, of the Shing Hing Fruit Stall, at the junction of Queen's Street and Des Voeux Road West, was totally fined \$325 for selling apples and oranges above the controlled price

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"CARTOON PROGRAMME"

NEW AMERICAN NAVAL POLICY IN PACIFIC

Pearl Harbour, Oct. 11.
A new United States Navy policy in the Pacific, calling for a strong Aleutian base near Siberia and the extension of its outpost 3,000 miles westward to Guam, has been announced at a press conference at Pearl Harbour.

The policy was made public by Admiral John H. Towers, commander of the Pacific Fleet, who conferred recently with President Truman and high Navy officials in Washington. Admiral Towers declared that Guam (3,313 miles west of Pearl Harbour) would be turned into an outpost as strategically important as Pearl Harbour, long the symbol of the might of the American Navy in the Pacific.

The Admiral said the new Pacific policy would be to concentrate permanent naval installations in Alaska, the Aleutians, Hawaii and the Marianas, including Guam.

This would include permanent facilities for surface warships, as well as Navy air bases, Admiral Towers added. "It is obvious," Admiral Towers said, "that we need a base further into the Pacific."

Because of the mobility and range of surface and air fleets, it is necessary that we extend our Pacific outpost beyond Pearl Harbour.

Admiral Towers said he talked with Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Chief of Naval Operations, while in Washington, and that Admiral Nimitz had agreed with his views on the new alignment of naval power in the Pacific.

Base's Site
Admiral Towers declined to say where the new Aleutian base would be built, but predicted that it would be somewhere near the centre of the Aleutian Peninsula, jutting westward from the Alaskan mainland.

This would put it somewhere east of the Navy's big base at Dutch Harbour.—Associated Press.

U.S. WARSHIPS IN EUROPE
London, Oct. 11.
The United States Navy announced that the cruiser "Spokane" will arrive at Plymouth, England, on October 16 to relieve the USS "Houston" as the flagship of the United States 12th Fleet.

The carrier "Randolph" joins the 12th Fleet in the Mediterranean early in November, relieving the carrier "Franklin D. Roosevelt," which is returning to the United States.—Associated Press.

Sidky To Meet Bevin

Cairo, Oct. 10.
Ismail Sidky Pasha, the Egyptian Premier, said in a broadcast today that he hoped to reach an agreement with Mr. Ernest Bevin, British Foreign Secretary, when he meets him shortly.

"I will express the deep sentiments of the Egyptians regarding their national ideal which they want to see established without restrictions so as to establish an era of solid friendship between the two peoples on a basis of real equality within the framework of the United Nations Charter," Sidky Pasha said.

The Egyptian Premier, who is also the head of the Egyptian delegation discussing a revision of the 1936 treaty with Britain, spoke from Tanta, north of Cairo. He devoted his speech almost entirely to the refutation of arguments set out in a recent WAFD-ist manifesto calling for the breaking off of negotiations with Britain and the submission of Egypt's case to the United Nations.—Reuter.

FREE MEDICINE FOR ALL

Stockholm, Oct. 10.
A Bill making medical treatment free for every Swede was introduced by the Swedish Minister for Social Affairs, when the Swedish Parliament reassembled for the Autumn session today. The Bill, under which everyone in Sweden would be compulsorily health insured, makes all hospitals, hospital treatment and certain medicines free and other medicines available at half the present prices and covers doctors' fees, patients' travelling expenses when visiting a doctor and sick pay.—Reuter.

Italo-Polish Agreement

Rome, Oct. 10.
A trade agreement between Italy and Poland was signed here today by the Italian Premier, Signor Alcide De Gasperi, and the Polish Ambassador.

The treaty included a clause under which Poland can order Italian industrial products to the value of \$10,000,000 in the next four years, the Italian Foreign Office announced.

The agreement is based on the exchanges of 750,000 tons of Polish coal for the equivalent in Italian industrial and agricultural products.—Reuter.

MYSTERY OF BAN ON PLANE FLIGHTS

Frankfurt, Oct. 11.
United States Army Headquarters lifted its suspension of American plane flights over Czechoslovakia and Hungary late yesterday, leaving only Rumania being still barred to American aircraft under orders which Army officials steadfastly refused to explain.

using series of orders.—Associated Press.

Turned Back
London, Oct. 11.
The Pan-American Headquarters in London yesterday issued the following statement:—

"A Pan-American Clipper bound from Prague to Vienna was turned back yesterday by United States military order, stating that no civil or military aircraft would be permitted to fly over Czechoslovakia or Russian-controlled territory, Hungary or Rumania, from October 9 till October 14, or over Germany and Austria until further notice.

"Pan-American officials were further advised by their Embassy in Prague and by the Czechoslovakia Ministry of Transport that their planes must not be despatched over Russian-controlled territory. Ten passengers booked for Vienna were detained in Prague and the plane returned to Brussels.

"Until further clarification has been received, all Pan-American services to middle Europe will be halted in Brussels."—Reuter.

Czech Denial
Prague, Oct. 11.

An official denial that there had been any ban on flying over Czechoslovakia was issued by the Czechoslovak News Agency here last night.

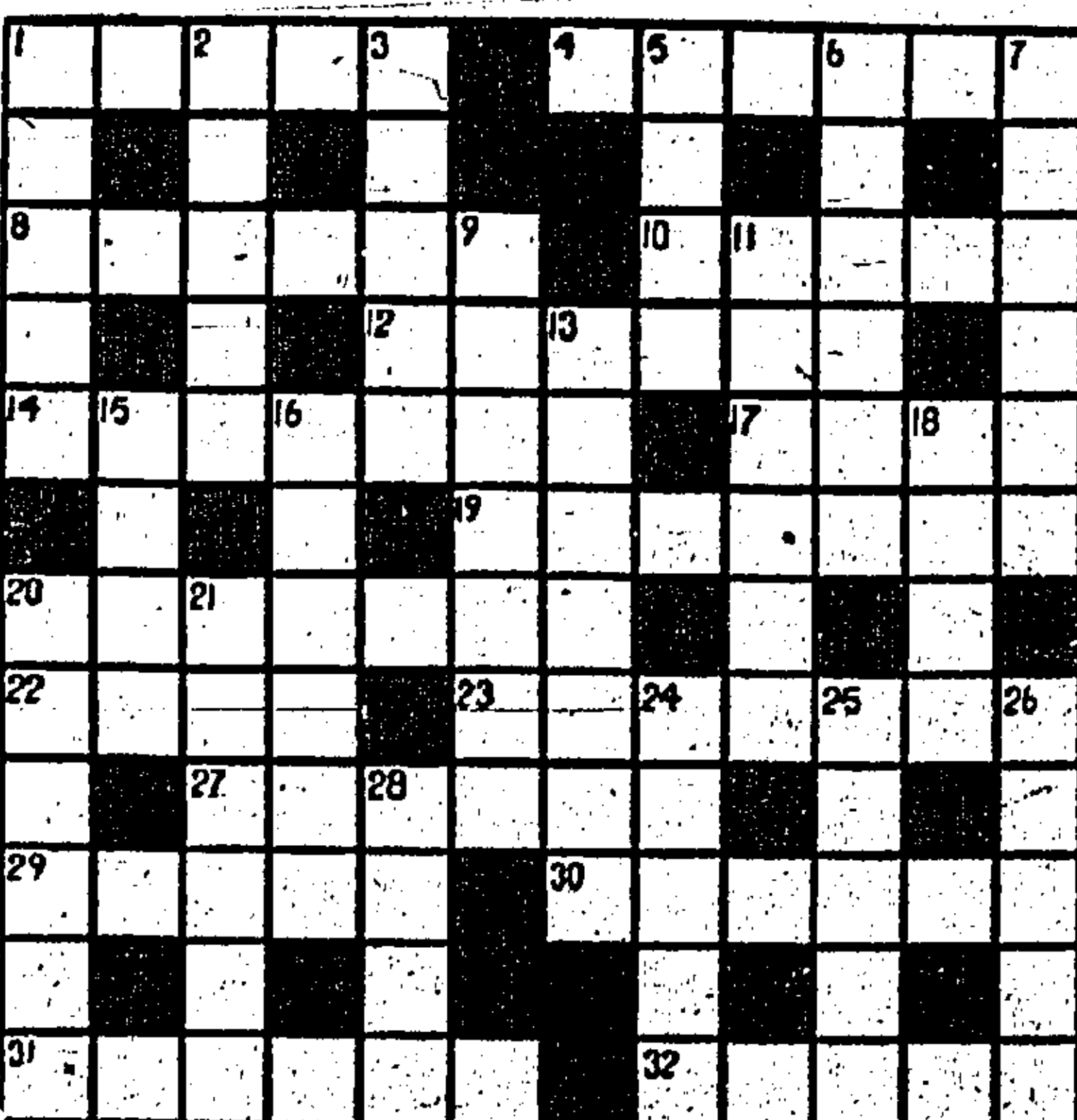
The Agency statement said: "Some foreign news agencies recently carried reports that foreign aircraft had been forbidden to fly over Czechoslovak territory. The Czechoslovak News Agency has been officially authorized to state that no ban has been issued and that there are no restrictions on flying over Czechoslovakia or Czechoslovak territory or on landing in Czechoslovakia which would in any way alter the existing situation."—Reuter.

Troop Movements
Washington, Oct. 11.

United States military officials here privately expressed the belief last night that the temporary order prohibiting flights by American planes over Hungary and Rumania was due to troop movements.

Officials recalled that a similar order earlier this year was ascribed to a request from the Russians.—Associated Press.

A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE



Across
1. Avoid. 20. In the saddle. 4. Dots. 21. Fairy. 5. Mend. 22. Reven. 10. Constellation. 23. Worn-out. 12. "Nose" animal. 24. Highly pleased. 14. Kind of cross. 25. Nasal explosion. 17. Quote. 26. Outcome. 18. Illegal. 27. Kind of joint.

Down
1. Scrimmage. 9. Remander. 18. Container for money. 24. Poison. 2. Drive. 11. Repeat from memory. 25. Lifeless. 3. Cutter. 10. Come into view. 26. View. 5. Impoverished. 18. Softens. 20. Sense. 6. Reviewer. 15. Recess. 21. Tramples. 7. Day's end. 16. Frugality.

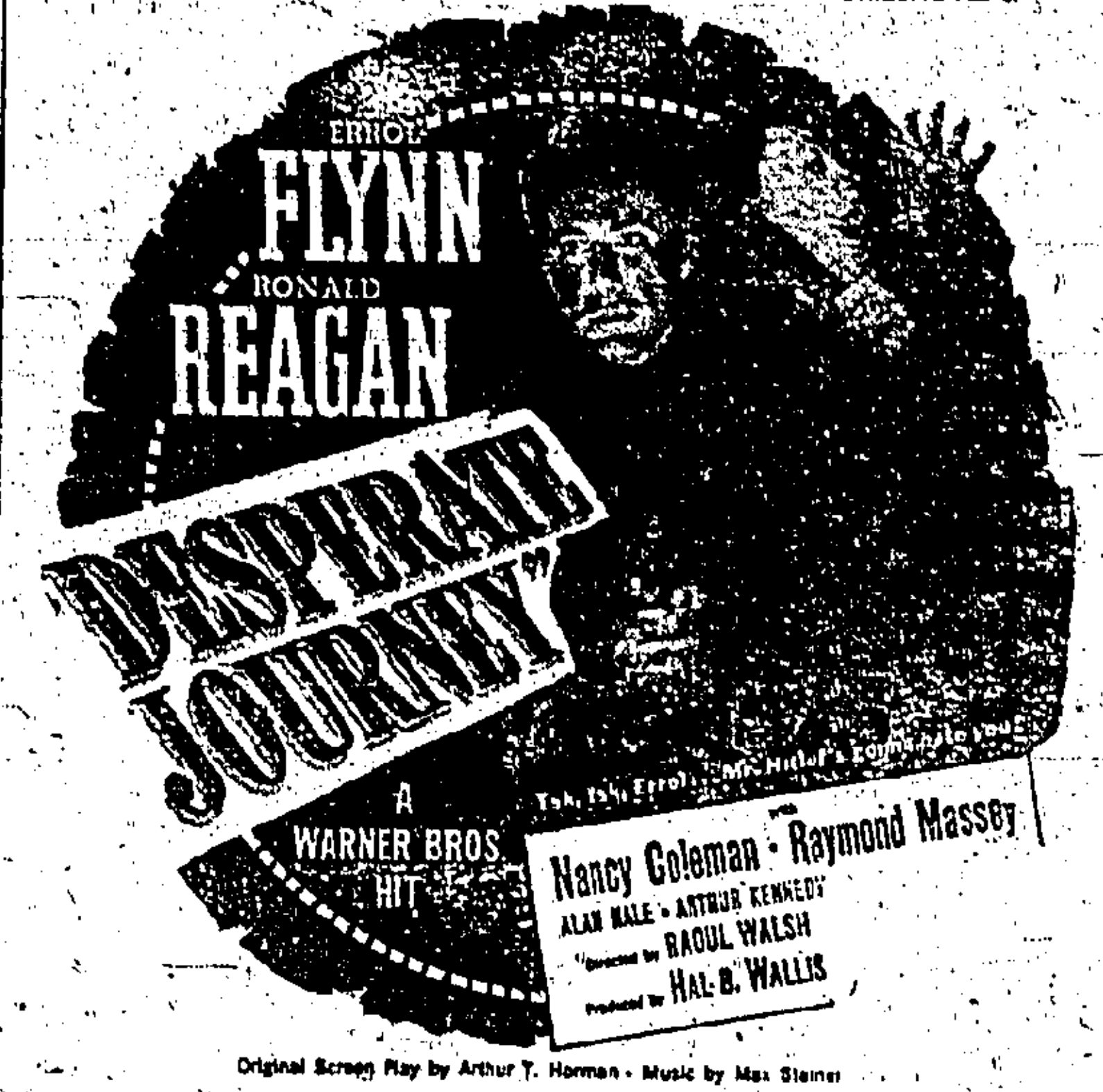
Yesterday's Solution
ACROSS: 3. Starling; 8. Load; 9. Comatose; 11. Departed; 13. Lend; 15. Assessor; 18. Tenacity; 19. Idle; 21. Dissuade; 25. Generate; 26. Leap; 27. Exhumation.
DOWN: 1. Flod; 2. Rasp; 4. Trot; 5. Read; 6. Loose; 7. Dread; 9. Crust; 10. Melon; 12. Eased; 14. Nod; 16. Septa; 17. Raise; 19. Ingle; 20. Lunch; 21. Drum; 22. Stun; 23. Apex; 24. Eepy.

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New Body In Germany
Berlin, Oct. 10.
A new Allied body called the "Combined Services Directorate" to supervise the demilitarisation of Germany will begin functioning on Jan. 1 1947, it was announced yesterday in the monthly report of General Joseph T. McNarney, United States zone commander. Established by the Allied Control Council, it will take over the work formerly handled by the Military, Naval and Air Directorates.

The new Directorate will be responsible for keeping a strict watch on all questions affecting the liquidation and possible regrowth of German war potential and for reporting any tendency which might lead to a revival of German military might. It will also deal with civil aviation, hydrographic and meteorological services.—Associated Press.

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AT-BOMB ARRESTS

Washington, Oct. 11. The Department of Justice announced today that three men have been arrested in Baltimore on charges of publishing photographs of atomic bombs. The announcement said that the pictures of the bombs were obtained by one of the men arrested while he was serving with a bomber squadron in the Pacific during the summer and autumn of 1945.—Reuter.

Britain's
Tribute To
Roosevelt

London, Oct. 11. Winston Churchill, Britain's wartime leader, stated today that it might well be that the late President Roosevelt not only anticipated history but altered its course in a manner which had saved freedom and earned the gratitude of the human race for generations to come.

Speaking in the House of Commons on the bill providing for the erection in Grosvenor Square, London, of a statue to President Roosevelt and the laying out of gardens for the use of the public as a memorial, Mr. Churchill said that had President Roosevelt not acted as he did in aiding Britain and Europe in their supreme crisis, "a hideous fate may well have overwhelmed mankind and made its whole future for centuries sink into shame and ruin."

President Roosevelt, he said, would take his place with Washington and Lincoln in the history, not only of the United States, but of the world. It was fitting, he said, that "old and mighty war-scarred London" should be chosen as the place for a memorial.

Prime Minister Attlee said that President Roosevelt, in the dark days of 1940, recognised before many of his countrymen that Britain was holding the outpost line of liberty.

Declaring that President Roosevelt was one of the greatest friends Britain ever had, Mr. Attlee said that the memorial would be a spontaneous gesture of respect and admiration from the ordinary man in this country to one who was their friend in time of need.

The cost of the memorial amounting to £40,000 will be met by public subscription.—Reuter.

MONEY NO
GOOD

Monessen, Penna., Oct. 11. "You cannot pay for a boy's life with money" was the bitter comment of relatives of Corporal Matthew Comko, when they learned that the Yugoslav Government is paying \$30,000 indemnity for his death in the United States. The father demanded that "these responsible be taken care of by trial."—Associated Press.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles and from 12.30 to 1.30 p.m., 7.30 to 8.30 p.m., and 9.15 to 11.00 p.m., also on 9.52 megacycles. H.K.T. —Daily Programme Summary. 12.30 p.m.—Variety. 1.00 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements. 1.10 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude. 1.15 p.m.—Amy Woodford-Finden's "Indian Love Lyrics" sung by Nelson Eddy. 1.30 p.m.—London Transcriptions: "The Grand Hotel" by Albert Sandler and Palm Court Orch. and Robert Easton. 2.00 p.m.—Gloss Down. 2.30 p.m.—Henry James and His Orchestral and "The Four O'Clocks". 7.00 p.m.—"Music Time". 7.30 p.m.—"Radio: 'Unit Requiem'—New Love Call—Engineer Troop. No. 8 Commando Brigade. 8.00 p.m.—London Relay: News. 8.15 p.m.—Jazz. Piano. Interlude: Winner and Dancer. 8.30 p.m.—Relay from the Star Theatre—R.A.F. "Gang Show". 8.45 p.m.—London Relay: "Modesty". 9.00 p.m.—Half an Hour with Eric Coates. 10.00 p.m.—London Relay: News. 10.05 p.m.—Music for Dancing. 11.00 p.m.—Gloss Down.

SPORTS SECTION

Chess Club's Top-Heavy
Reserves "A" Section

(By "Recorder")

With less than a week to go to the closing date for entries in the Kowloon Chess Club Tournaments indications are that the Club Committee will be faced with a top-heavy Reserves "A" section. As has always happened in the past, a number of would-be entrants are still hedging, waiting to see what the opposition will be.

About 20 players have intimated that they intend to play though some are not absolutely certain.

Here is the unofficial entry list:

Club Championship: C. M. Sequeira, Karel Weiss and To Yu Lau.

Reserves "A": A. Biriukoff, R. C. Danenberg, V. V. Kolatchoff, J. Tausz, E. Tausz, Col. H. M. Whitcombe, F. X. Sequeira, H. Knight and J. P. de Carvalho.

Reserves "B": R. C. Gardner, H. Ballerand, F. A. Fisher, L. M. Rodrigues, F. A. Gutierrez, A. P. Ricci-Pereira, R. C. Tavares and A. E. Gomes.

It is probable that the final entry list will total about 24, four less than the total entry in three sections in 1941.

Three of the five recognised Senior players have intimated that they are playing. It is also possible that D. E. de Carvalho, Colony Champion in 1939 and 1940, may play though he cannot yet make up his mind if he is to abide by his resolution to retire from competitive chess or to enter the lists for another season or two.

C.M. Sequeira
Strongest player in the Club Championship will be C. M. Sequeira, Colony Champion on six occasions, 1926-27 and 1932-35 and second-placed in the Colony Championship 1923 to Sir Henry Pollock, 1930 to O. Hassan, 1931 to D. E. de Carvalho, and 1941 to L. Karpovich. Sequeira did not compete in the Colony Championship from 1936 to 1940, emerging from retirement in 1941 to take second place in one of the strongest Colony Open tournaments in the annals of local chess.

Karel Weiss
Karel Weiss placed third in the Colony Open Championship in 1940 to K. M. A. Barnett and E. Zimmermann and third again the following year behind Karpovich and Sequeira and ahead of G. S. Coxhead (Champion of Bombay Province in 1940), E. Zimmermann and D. E. de Carvalho. The third Senior player who has intimated that he will play is To Yu Lau, winner of the Colony Junior Championship in 1941.

Two players of Senior status who may compete in either the Club Championship or the Reserve Tournament "A" are A. Kurrik and A. Biriukoff, who tied for second place in the Club Championship 1940, behind K. M. A. Barnett, and are both veterans of the Colony Championship. Kurrik having placed third to Carvalho and Zimmermann in 1940. In addition, Kurrik was runner-up to Carvalho in the Club Championship, 1940.

The Intermediate
The Intermediate Tournament (now to be known as the Reserve Tournament "A") was originally formed in 1941 when the Club's Senior section included players of the status of Karpovich, Sequeira, Weiss, Coxhead, Carvalho, S. G. Hayes and C. M. Dobrjansky at the top of their form and beyond the aspirations of a secondary senior player who hadn't his nose buried in chess theory.

In 1941 the Colony Junior Championship was won by To Yu Lau, with Biriukoff second, followed by the late Un Kwai Yung, Kurrik, J. Grefalda, Danenberg, Kolatchoff and J. Tausz in that order with five other players bringing up the rear.

When the Kowloon Chess Club Committee met prior to the Club Tournaments 1941 a decision was reached to introduce an Intermediate Tournament to have a standard status similar to that of the Colony Junior Championship. Messrs. Biriukoff and Kurrik were asked by the Committee if they would agree to relinquish their Senior status in order to heighten the stan-

dard of the Intermediate Tournament and sportingly consented to do so.

In this year's tournaments, however, the question of maintenance of 1941 standards, that were abnormally high for the local chess world, is a point at issue that refuses to be solved though the Club Committee has taken a stand on the matter.

Top-Heavy

The top-heavy entry in Reserve Tournament "A" will have to be solved either by promotion or relegation of some of the players to the Club Championship or to Reserves "B". The latter tournament is already of a standard much above that of the old Club Junior Championship with more than one of its contestants eligible for Reserves "A" should he wish to play in the higher section.

The solution seems to be that four players, or possibly five, should be moved up to the Club Championship Tournament. My personal selections are Biriukoff, Kurrik, E. Tausz, F. X. Sequeira, and R. C. Danenberg.

The Club Committee could award these five provisional Senior status with the understanding that the Committee reserved its right of relegating them to Reserves "A" should

the Club, by 1947, be flooded by another invasion of Karpovich, Coxhead, Hayes and Dobrjansky.

Homely Tale From
Q.P. Rangers

(By Archie Quick)

London, Oct. 11.

Not all in professional football is as mercenary as the present transfer ramp would suggest. Here is a homely little story from Park Rangers.

Captain Alf Ridyard, stalwart centre half of many seasons service, reported an injured ankle which, when diagnosed, was stated would keep him out of the game for at least six weeks.

Rangers are keen and confident of promotion and here indeed was a fall blow. The directors were distracted, the manager worried.

Not a big Alf. "What are you worried about, there is a box Chapman in the reserves faster than me who will not let you down," he said.

So in went Chapman for the vital match against the goal-scoring Reading and was about the best man on the field. Previously Ridyard had coached him and given him a long talk on how to fill his position. Here was unselfishness not rare but at least unusual.

Rangers are a happy family and will take a lot of beating in the promotion race. They are fortunate too at a time of centre forward dearth to possess five good leaders.

At last Portsmouth have succeeded in getting Gerry Bowler, their signed centre half, to move from Ireland to Fratton Park. This will mean that the International pivot Flewin will be moved to full back.

And talking of transfers, there is a considerable rumour about players being offered lucrative salaries in order to get their signature. I hear that the League Management Committee are likely to take some action in the matter.

Delicate Position

The position is delicate for it is quite outside the League's jurisdiction if a club chooses to obtain a house for a player or obtain him a journalistic appointment or get him fixed up in his trade of apprenticeship. Where the snag comes in is that rich clubs can do this to the detriment of their poor brethren and so unhealth inequality is bred.

Kirton of Stoke has come out in the open and said he wants a house or he will ask for a transfer as he is tired of living in rooms. I can sympathise with his

To Swim The
Channel Both Ways

Toronto, Oct. 11. Giovanni Gambi, 35, of Ravenna, Italy, announced yesterday that he will try to swim the English Channel both ways next summer. He placed first in the five mile marathon swim at the Canadian National Exhibition here in 1935.

He said he expected to cross the Channel from Cap Griz Nez, France, to Dover, England, in less than 10 hours.

George Michel, the French baker who also competed in the marathon swims here, set a record of 11 hours and five minutes in 1920.

Gambi went to the United States from Italy two months ago on a hairless horse buying mission. He plans to return to the United States on Friday and sail for Italy with four or five horses, early next month.

He owns a breeding farm at Ravenna and plans to strengthen his Italian harness stock.

Gambi said he had kept in condition by swimming and only last June won a 15 mile race at Rimini, Italy.—Associated Press.

London, Oct. 11. Freddie Mills has agreed to a postponement from Oct. 22 to Nov. 5 of his heavyweight bout with Joe Baksi because of the death of Baksi's mother in Pennsylvania.—Associated Press.

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KCC Annual
Meeting

An optimistic view of the year to come was taken by the President of the Kowloon Cricket Club, Mr. Ezra Abraham, in his address before the annual general meeting of the K.C.C.

held yesterday evening. Mr. Abraham said that the Club grounds were being carefully nursed and should be back to normal within six months. Sporting and social activities were not yet under way, but there was definite indication that that the social hall and men's dressing room, requisitioned by the Military as a cinema for the Indian troops, would soon be vacated.

Only some 110 of the Club's pre-war membership roll of 370 had returned to date. Some 30 new members had been elected during the past year and 21 new members were posted for election.

It was the Club's intention, Mr. Abraham said, to elect a hard-working Committee for the job yet in hand and it was hoped considerably to speed up the Club's rehabilitation before the lapse of another year.

Mr. Abraham also paid tribute to the sterling work put in by the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer of the Working Committee set up last year—Mr. D. S. Green—in the difficult task of arrangements for preliminary repairs and installation and said that he would, at the next annual general meeting, propose that Mr. Green be elected a Life Member of the Club.

Overdraft

On a motion proposed by the President and seconded by Mr. E. C. Fincher, the meeting authorised the Committee to apply for bank overdraft facilities totalling \$75,000, an addition of \$25,000 on the overdraft facilities already granted the Club.

Mr. Abraham said that more than \$35,000 had already been expended toward the rehabilitation of the Club. Donations toward this fund from members amounted to \$3,240.

The following officers were elected to serve for the coming year:

President, Mr. Ezra Abraham; Vice-President, Mr. V. C. Labrum; Capt., Mr. E. C. Fincher; Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. F. Burch; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. D. S. Green; Committee: Mr. T. A. Madar (representing the Lawn Tennis section), Mr. S. A. Gray (representing the Lawn Tennis section), and Messrs. R. Leigh, T. W. Cary, W. C. Hung, G. B. Labrum, J. C. R. Humble and F. Goodwin.

offers they may receive they are legally entitled to a signing fee and an accrued share of benefit and just now that is a very attractive proposition whether they are contented where they are or not.

I feel, however, that the powers that be must legislate quickly to prevent a landslide.

Cardinals Slug Out
A 12-3 Win

Boston, Oct. 11.

Bashing six Boston pitchers, the St. Louis Cardinals slugged out a one-sided 12 to 3 victory over the Boston Red Sox in the fourth game of the world series. Every man in the Cardinal lineup, including pitcher George Munger, joined in a thunderous outburst of bingles—20 in all, —to tie the all-time world series record.

Enos Slaughter, Whitey Kurowski, and Joe Garagiola tied another series mark by slashing four safeties apiece. Munger permitted only nine scattered hits and allowed only one earned run.

It was never a contest after the second inning when the Redbirds banged Hughson for three runs, opening with Slaughter's 370-foot home run.

The Cards knocked Big Tex out with another three-run blast in the third inning before he was relieved and Jim Bagby got them out.

The Red Sox broke Munger's shut-out in the fourth on Ted Williams' single, followed by Rudy York's towering double.

EASTERN PLAYER
SUSPENDED

At a meeting of the Emergency Committee of the Hong Kong Football Association held yesterday Lee Wai-lum of Eastern was suspended for two months from participation in the Football League. Lee Wai-lum was sent off the field of play during the first division game against 1/5 Commando on Saturday.

Week-End
Football

Amended Soccer programme for week ending October 12, 1946.

TODAY

First Division

Eastern v. R.A.F. (Club ground at 4.45 p.m.)

Referee—R. M. Omar. Lineup—P. A. Barretto and C. S. M. H. Cook.

Sing Tao v. 1/5 Commando (Club ground at 4.45 p.m.)

Referee—C. T. T. Lineup—P. A. Barretto and C. S. M. H. Cook.

44 R.M. Cdo. v. Club (St. Joseph's ground Happy Valley, at 4.45 p.m.)

Referee—Chan King-Tick. Lineup—P. A. Barretto and C. S. M. H. Cook.

St. Joseph's v. C.A.S.C. (Club ground at 4.45 p.m.)

Referee—K. K. Ip. Lineup—C. T. T. and E. Lawrence.

Second Division

Sing Tao v. 44 Commando (Club ground at 4.45 p.m.)

Referee—L. L. G. Young. Lineup—L. L. G. Young.

3 Cdo. Bde. H.Q. v. 42 Commando (Chatham Road ground at 4.45 p.m.)

Referee—L. L. G. Young. Lineup—L. L. G. Young.

Dockyard F.C. v. Club (St. Joseph's ground at 4.45 p.m.)

Referee—A. E. P. Gucet. Lineup—A. E. P. Gucet.

Police v. Navy (Navy ground at 4.45 p.m.)

Referee—N. T. Delgado. Lineup—N. T. Delgado.

Jodhpur v. Kit Che (Navy ground at 4.45 p.m.)

Referee—L. L. G. Young. Lineup—L. L. G. Young.

TOMORROW

First Division

Kwong Wah v. 45 Commando (Club ground at 4.45 p.m.)

Referee—J. P. de Silva. Lineup—J. P. de Silva.

South China v. Navy (Navy ground at 4.45 p.m.)

Referee—Capt. J. P. England. Lineup—Capt. J. P. England.

Second Division

Kwong Wah v. C.A.S.C. (Club ground at 4.45 p.m.)

Referee—F. N. Bullock. Lineup—F. N. Bullock.

387 Coy. R.A.S.C. v. South China (Navy ground at 4.45 p.m.)

Referee—L. L. G. Young. Lineup—L. L. G. Young.

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MCC Meet
Determined
Opposition

Perth, Oct. 11.

The M.C.C. touring cricket team met determined opposition in the initial first class match of the tour when West Australia, winning the toss, scored 310 runs for six wickets in five hours today.

Fielding lapses early in the day proved costly and Bert Egan, whose solid defensive or cricket lasted two hours in scoring 34, was dropped three times before scoring 15.

At first the Australians were content to wear down the opposition and scored only 63 runs in 90 minutes before lunch.

The two leg-spin bowlers, Peter Smith and Douglas Wright, commanded respect and after breaking the opening stand at 73, they were more successful and West Australia were four wickets down for 159 at tea.

Subsequently, the batsmen changed tactics. They added 118 in 61 minutes for the fifth wicket before Wright checked the onslaught, by dismissing them in successive overs.

The perfect wicket, ideally suited for run getting, should give the strong M.C.C. batting a chance to shine tomorrow.

WEST AUSTRALIA
1ST INNINGS

Rigg, c. Edrich, b. Smith	34
Edwards, c. Hardstaff, b. Smith	43
Robinson, c. Wright, b. Smith	38
Barnes, c. Washbrook, b. Wright	10
Watt, l.b.w. b. Wright	85
Herbert, c. Hammond, b. Wright	53
Langdon, not out	19
Kessey, not out	21
Extras	9
Total (for six wickets)	310

—Reuter.

Tied For
First Place

Stoneham, Oct. 10.

Bobby Locke, South Africa, and James Adams, Scottish international, tied for the first place in the Dunlop Masters. Thousand Guineas professional tournament here today, each with an aggregate of 286.

As Locke is returning to South Africa on Saturday, it is not possible to re-play the match as arranged tomorrow, so the two will jointly hold the title of champion of champions and share the first two prizes of \$300 and \$200, respectively.

Max Faulkner was third with 250, Norman Von Nida, of Australia, fourth with 201; Dick Burton, D. J. Rees, Fred Daly and Reginald Whitcombe fifth with 232 and Henry Cotton next with 294.

Cotton cracked up on the greens today in rounds of 76 and 75, whereas Locke was the only player beating 70 today and virtually won the tournament in the third round when he returned 67, which was the best score of the two days.—Reuter.

Walker Cup

St. Andrews, Oct. 10.

The Walker Cup golf match between amateurs of Britain and America will be resumed next year, when the match will be played at St. Andrews. It was here that Britain won the trophy for the first time in 1938 when the match was last played.

America should have visited Britain for the next contest, but the Americans agreed to play in Britain if the authorities would resume the match. The dates announced for the match are May 16 and 17.—Reuter.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

London, Oct. 10.

Results of rugby football games played today were:

County championship: Leicestershire 12 East Midlands 24. Warwickshire 32 Nottingham, Lincolnshire and Derby 3. County match: Somerset 13 Middlesex 13.

Rugby League, Yorkshire Cup, semi-final: Hull 15 Hull Kingston Rovers 11.—Reuter.

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Another Link In A Chain Of Events

London, Oct. 11.

The theory is being advanced in the London stock exchange that the apparent end of the bull market in Johannesburg is the third link in a chain of events, the first of which was forged in Wall Street and the second in London.

N.Y. Stock Market

New York, Oct. 11.

The stock market swung upward briskly in the final half hour. The ticker was busy on the last minute bulge which erased earlier losses for many leaders. Closing advances of one to six points were widely distributed although assorted casualties persisted.

Transfers totalled 2,200,000 shares, the largest since late September. Prominent on the bulge were Armour, Cudahy, and Wilson on hopes for meat controls.

Showing gains were Union Pacific, Bethlehem, Chrysler, Montgomery Ward, U.S. Rubber, Youngstown Sheet & Tube, International Harvester, Anaconda Copper, Kennecott Copper, Electric Power and Light, Dupont, Union Carbide, and Johns Manville, Schenley, and Philip Morris. On the offside were Allied Chemical, American Tobacco Co., American Telephone, Texaco.

The Dow Jones Averages: 20 Industrials 104.94, 15 Rails 45.69, 10 Utilities 33.57, Stocks 53.34.

Closing stock quotations:— Adams Express 14 1/4, Alaska Juneau 5, American Can 80 1/2, American Smelting 50, American Telephone 169 1/2, American Tobacco 76 1/2, American Waterworks 15, Anaconda Copper 37, Aviation Corporation 20, Baldwin Locomotive 19 1/2, Barnsdall 23 1/2, Bendis Aviation 32 1/2, Bethlehem Steel 95, Boeing Aircraft 22 1/2, Boston 46 1/2, Canadian Pacific 12 1/2, I. T. Case 34 1/2, Chrysler 82 1/2, Colgate 47 1/2, Commercial Solvents 21 1/2, Corn Products 61, Dupont 40, Nemours 71 1/2, Eastman Kodak 201 1/2, General Electric 36 1/2, Goodrich 67, General Motors 50 1/2, Goodyear 52 1/2, Homestake Mining 35 1/2, International Harvester 71, International Paper 41 1/2, International Tel. & Tel. 17 1/2, Johns Manville 122, Kennecott Copper 43 1/2, Montgomery Ward 68 1/2, National Distillers 22 1/2, National Lead 23 1/2, New York Central 15 1/2, Packard Motors 5 1/2, Pan American Airways 14 1/2, Pennsylvania RR 25 1/2, Radio Corporation 9 1/2, Real Silk 17, Republic Steel 27, Reynolds Tobacco 38 1/2, Schenley 60 1/2, Sears Roebuck 37, Shell Oil 20, Socony Vacuum 14 1/2, Southern Pacific 40 1/2, Standard Brands 37 1/2, Standard Oil of Calif 52 1/2, Standard Oil of N.J. 60 1/2, Studebaker 20, Union Bag 27 1/2, Union Carbide 92, U.S. Rubber 55 1/2, U.S. Steel 68, Westinghouse 24, Youngstown Sheet & Tube 62 1/2, Associated Press.

New York Exchanges

New York, Oct. 10.

American A/C Sterling 4.03-3/16, 4.03-4/16, American A/C Sterling 3 Months 4.03-5/16, 4.03-7/16, On Sweden 27.95 offered, France 84, 84 1/2, Switzerland (Official) 24.00, 24.25, Switzerland (Free) 24.50, 24.50, Spain 9.50, Portugal 4.94, 4.96, Australia 5.25, New Zealand 3.25, South Africa 4.02 1/2, British East Africa 20.25, India 30.29, China unquoted, Argentina (Official) 29.78, Argentina (Free) 24.68 offered, Brazil 5.45, Bolivia (Official) 2.00, Bolivia (Free) 2.38, Chile (Official) 5.15, Chile (Free) 5.25, Chile (Export) 4.00, Colombia 56.93, Cuba 100, Ecuador 7.60, Guatemala 100, Holland 37.78, Mexico 20.57, 20.61, Peru 15.50 offered, Uruguay 56.00, 56.50, Venezuela 29.90, Netherlands West Indies 58.00, Dutch Guiana 63.35, Montreal on London 4.02, Montreal on New York 05.875, Swiss Bank Notes rate 29.00, 31.00, Belgium Franc 2.27 1/2, 2.28 1/2.—Reuter.

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London Stock Market

London, Oct. 10.

Unsettled conditions prevailed throughout the stock market today, mainly as a result of a further sharp setback in Africa. The latter caused fears of liquidation in other sections in order to recoup losses. Very little of this actually occurred, however, and some recovery of domestic issues soon resulted.

Many of these latter closed around the previous day's levels, but business was restricted by the absence of stock for would-be buyers at the present levels. Several attempts to rally in Africa were made but only partial success resulted.

The encouraging factor in the day's trading was the steadiness of gilt-edgeds. The recent liquidation ceased and the reentry of a bigger investor was noticed.

Miscellaneous industrials met some provincial inquiry but the steel situation caused heaviness in motors. Rubbers still show no reaction to the termination of control of the commodity with dealers commenting that there is still a long time to wait before definite benefit is felt in rubber shares.

Oils were firm with moderate turnover in Twin-Eagle shares which benefited from reports that a new attempt may shortly be made to settle the Anglo-Mexican dispute on terms of compensation to be paid for the expropriated oil properties of the company.

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